

A Middlesex Water Company Affiliate

April 19, 2016

Via Delafile

Ms. Donna L. Nickerson Secretary Delaware Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Cannon Building, Suite 100 Dover, DE 19904

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc. to Abandon Under 26 *DEL. C.* §203A(d) Wastewater Services Provided Under a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – Breeders Crown

Dear Ms. Nickerson:

Please accept this letter and the attached Affidavit of General Compliance to serve as official notice that Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc. (TESI) intends to abandon its wastewater service under its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), with all rights obligations under the current law, for the current tax parcel or the former tax parcel numbers MD-00-172.03-01-0100-000 through MD-00-172.03-01-65.00-000, also known as the Breeders Crown subdivision. TESI intends to abandon service effective the same date Kent County commences supplying wastewater service to the service territory. The order granting the CPCN is Number 6703, Docket 05-WW-006, and was approved on August 23, 2005.

TESI believes the abandonment is reasonable for the following reasons:

- 1. The abandonment is necessary because on October 22, 2013 Kent County, Delaware, adopted a resolution which approved a plan to develop a "Greater Houston Area" sanitary sewer district as an expansion to its existing Delaware Sewage Disposal District No. 1. The service area encompassing Breeder's Crown is included in the new Kent County sanitary sewer district. TESI expects to transfer to Kent County the responsibility of providing wastewater service for Breeders Crown on or about May 15, 2016.
- 2. The abandonment will not be unduly burdensome to TESI's customers because TESI has sent notices to its customers since 2013 notifying them of the change in wastewater service provider. TESI will also continue sending notices to the customers until the transfer has taken place. Additionally, the Breeders Crown Farms Subdivision Homeowners Association (HOA) is a party to the Greater Houston Area

- Sewer Basin Public Works Agreement, dated February 11, 2014, in which the HOA agreed to the change in wastewater service provider to Kent County.
- 3. The abandonment is reasonable because Kent County intends to construct the necessary improvements that will allow waste from Breeders Crown to be treated at its regional treatment plant, which provides a more cost effective means of providing safe, secure wastewater service to the subdivision.

If you should require additional information, please contact me at (302) 747-1325.

Sincerely,
Kusten Liggins

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Director, Water Planning & Development

cc: A. Bruce Connor (Electronic Delivery)
Bruce Patrick (Electronic Delivery)

AFFIDAVIT OF GENERAL COMPLIANCE

I, Bruce Patrick	("Affiant")	, being du	y sworn	or affirmed	according to	law,	deposes	and
states as follows:								

- 1. He/she is the <u>General Manager</u> (title or office held) of <u>Tidewater Environmental</u> <u>Services, Inc.</u> (name of the applicant);
 - 2. That he/she is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said applicant;
- 3. That the applicant herein certifies to the Public Service Commission ("PSC") under penalty of perjury that:
- a. The applicant agrees to comply with and be subject to the jurisdiction of the PSC of the State of Delaware for the purposes set forth in 26 *Del. C.* §§ 114(b) and (c), 205(a), 207, 212, and 217 and any other applicable Delaware Code sections and Regulations.
- b. The Affiant further certifies that he/she has personally examined and is familiar with all information contained in the foregoing application, including any attachments and appendices, and further certifies that such information is true, correct, and complete.

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	Bruce E. Partrick
	Printed name of Affiant
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	Signature of Notarial Official (SEAL)
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